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The top salesman for the Citrus Fruit Sale was Tommy Bryant, selling approximately one hundred cases, who received a stereo component system.

The following FFA Members received prizes for the overall sale:

Harry Carter, Ten Speed Bicycle; Richard Guill, 12 gauge shotgun; William Christian, FFA Jacket; Walter Mosley, Basketball and Football; Nathan Smith, Ping-Pong Set; Michael Wooten, Rod and Reel; Tony Story, Set of Wrenches; James Burks, Set of Wrenches; William Perdue, Box of Shotgun Shells, Eddie Ragland, Box of Shotgun Shells.

In addition to these winners the highest salesman in each classroom received a pocketknife. They were:

Alan Jones, Tye Beasley, Donald Harvey, Warren Lamberth, James Bondurant, Walker Covington, Tommy Goode, Mike Kelso.

Evergreen

Rev. and Mrs. Ross Terry and family of Lovingston were dinner guest on Christmas Day of Rev. and Mrs. Edmond Terry and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeter Witt Wooldridge of Woodbridge were overnight guests on Christmas Eve of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin Sr. and Mrs. W. W. Wooldridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Edwards and sons, Wayne and Kenneth of Franklin spent the Christmas holiday, with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. David Paulette, Bonnie and Phil were supper guests on Christmas Eve in the home of their daughter, and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Hackett.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hamilton daugher Amanda of Newport News spent the Christmas holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kent Hamilton.

Mrs. Emmitt Paulette Sr., and E. W. Jr. were dinner guests on Christmas Day of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce H. Paulette and family.

Mrs. Julia Rahim spent the Christmas holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ehrhart of Indianapolis, Ind.

Rev. and Mrs. Edmond Terry, Sherry, Bill, Bonnie and Jim Bob Gambrel, Miss Donna Paulette, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce H. Paulette and Traci and B. H. were supper guests on Friday night of Mrs. Emmitt W. Paulette Sr., and E. W. Jr.

Miss Lisa Franklin who has been a patient in Lynchburg General Hospital has returned to her home.

Guests in the home of Mrs. J. Mott Harvey on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dudley, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Mayberry, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Richardson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rody Richardson and family of Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Fitz of Williamsburg.

Luncheon guests on Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elizabeth Farrar were Mrs. J. Mott Harvey and Mrs. Edna Young.

Mrs. H. D. Baker, and Mrs. J. Mott Harvey were guests on Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Chap Harvey of Darlington Heights, and Mr. Jim Baker also of Darlington Heights.

Miss Betty Cawthorne of Washington was guest over the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cawthorne.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Farrar on Sunday night were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Blankenship of Lynchburg, Mrs. John Farrar Sr. and John William Jr. of Centersville.

Dinner guests in the home of Mrs. R. E. Harris on Christmas Eve were Rev. and Mrs. Bob Harris of Halifax, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Harris of Madison Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Shorter and family and Miss Sherry Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. John Farrar and Mr. Rebecca Shanks were guests in Christmas Eve in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fleshman.

Christmas Program Presented

A large crowd of members and friends attended the annual Christmas programs given by the Galilee and the Mount Shiloh Sunday Schools last Saturday and Sunday. The Galilee program was held Saturday evening at 7 PM and the Mount Shiloh was held Sunday evening at 4 PM. All who came enjoyed the programs. The programs were presented in two parts; the Primary division and the young adults. Beautiful music was rendered by a selected group.

The Promiseland Sunday School will hold its program on this Tuesday evening at 7 PM. The general public is cordially invited to attend.

Impressive services were held at the Promise Land Baptist Church Sunday at the regular 11 AM worship period. The pastor delivered a special message from the theme: "Missing Christmas". Beautiful music was rendered by the senior choir. Several visitors attended the service. At the close of the worship period a love offering was presented to the pastor on behalf of the church by deacon Stewart Robinson. The pastor responded with words of gratitude and promised continued service to the church and community.

An overflow crowd attended the funeral services for the late Mr. Willie Rue Robinson at Mount Zion Baptist Church last Sunday evening at 3PM. The pastor of the Church Rev. B. B. Cabbell officiated and delivered the eulogy. He was assisted in the service by Rev. R. Q. Lawing who also gave remarks to the family.

The Spout Spring community was saddened early Sunday morning to hear of the sudden death of Mr. Parker of Roanoke, Va. who was the husband of Mrs. Isabell Harris Parker, a former citizen of Appomattox County. Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday in Roanoke, Va.

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Mr. William H. Paige, Jr. and Miss Barbara Jean Adams were married Saturday evening at 2PM. in the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. Q. Lawing. Relatives of both families witnessed the double ring ceremony. Rev. Lawing officiated.

Va. Fertilizer Use Was 229,888 Tons

In '74; Supplies Look Tight For '75

Fertilizer use in Virginia was 230 thousand tons during 1974, 9% less than for 1973. The outlook for U.S. supplies is up, but will be tight for 1974-75, James R. Ford, Jr., Chairman of Appomattox County ASC Committee reported.

Use of the three main fertilizers in Virginia were: nitrogen, 86 thousand tons in 1973 and 80 thousand in 1974; phosphate, 77 thousand tons in 1973 and 69 thousand in 1974; potash, 89 thousand tons in 1973 and 81 thousand in 1974. Thirty-one states and Puerto Rico increased their use of plant nutrients, 14 states decreased, and five states used about the same amounts, Ford said.

Mr. Ford commented that nationally, 7% more fertilizer was used in 1974 than in 1973. Nitrogen use was up 10%, potash increased 9% and phosphate use dropped 0.8%.

Outlook for U.S. supplies of the three plant nutrients for the coming fertilizer year ending June 30, 1975, are expected to total about 23 million tons. This figure is with 1.8 million tons over the total for the year ending June 30, 1974. Supply prospects for the three types are:

Nitrogen - for domestic use probably will be about 10.8 tons, 8 percent higher than the 1973-74 fertilizer year. This increase could be reduced or even wiped out if severe winter weather forces curtailment of natural gas. Natural gas is the source of hydrogen for making ammonia. Nitrogen will be tight to short through 1977.

Phosphate - is expected to be about 5.8 million tons, also 8% higher than for the last fertilizer year. This amount could be reduced somewhat if there are delays in building new manufacturing plants. Phosphate will be tight to short through 1976.

Potash - should be about 6.3 million tons, 10% more than last year. During the 1973-74 fertilizer year, Canada supplied 72 percent of our net domestic supply. This year potash from Canada is expected to be up another 8%, but total U.S. supplies also will be tight to short through 1976.

Mr. Ford said prices are likely to remain high until supply and demand are nearer a balance. U. S. Government efforts to help alleviate the tight fertilizer situation is being coordinated by the Interagency Fertilizer Task Force which emphasizes that the industry should distribute available supplies as equitably as possible.

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Heart-Healthy Resolutions

Suggestions For New Year

For residents of Appomattox who haven't made their New Year's resolutions yet, the Piedmont Heart Association has a suggestion: Resolve to reduce your risk of heart disease by taking better care of your heart.

Dr. Richard T. Wade, president of the Piedmont Heart Association, says the best way to begin is by getting a complete medical checkup. Your doctor can tell whether you're a candidate for heart attack or stroke. And he can prescribe the preventive measures you and your family should take to reduce your risk."

An estimated 28 million Americans have some form of heart and blood vessel diseases, the leading cause of death and disability in this country. They result in more than one million deaths every year.

"Many heart attack deaths could have been prevented," Dr. Wade said, "if the victims or their families had known and recognized the early warning signs of heart attack."

Dr. Wade listed the early warning signs of heart attack: Prolonged, oppressive pains or unusual discomfort in the center of the chest; Pain or discomfort is often accompanied by sweating; Pain may radiate to the shoulder, arm, neck or jaw; Nausea, vomiting or shortness of breath may also occur; Sometimes these symptoms subside and then return.

"Blood pressure is another important area that Appomattox residents should resolve to watch," Dr. Wade said. "Some 23 million Americans have high blood pressure and half don't know it. The disease usually has no special symptoms. While it can usually be controlled, when left unchecked, it can lead to heart attack, stroke, heart or kidney failure."

"Your doctor can tell if you have high blood pressure by performing a simple test. By following his orders and taking the prescribed medication, those with high blood pressure can reduce their risk of heart attack and stroke."

The Heart Association pre-sent cited other risk factors that can lead to heart attack and stroke. They include high blood cholesterol, cigarette smoking, a diet high in saturate fats and cholesterol, stress and lack of exercise. He concluded: "Living a heart-healthy life isn't a hard resolution to keep. All you have to do is make a few moderate changes in your lifestyle, such as having your blood pressure checked regularly, stop smoking cigarettes or at least cut down, eating foods low in saturated fats and cholesterol and getting regular daily exercise.

"As part of your new, heart helping lifestyle," Dr. Wade continued, "resolve to make a generous contribution when a Heart Fund volunteer visits your home in February, designated as American Heart Month."

VEPCO Reports Earnings

Virginia Electric and Power Company today reported earnings for the 12 months ending November 30, 1974 of $1.33 per share -- the same amount as earnings for the 12 months ending September 30 and October 31, 1974.

For the 12 month period ending November 30, 1974, the company reported operating revenues of $723,362,444 (including fossil fuel revenues of $151,804,377), dividend requirements for preferred stock of $28,859,223, and balance for common of $68,363,325. The comparable figures for the period ending November 30, 1973, were operating revenues of $548,088,044 (including fossil fuel revenues of $15,254,219), dividend requirements for preferred stock of $23,720,091, and balance for common of $102,245,850 (or $2.19 per share).

T. Justin Moore Jr., Vepco president, pointed out that the company will receive additional revenue from rate increases involving two jurisdictions. He said that effective January 1, 1975, the company will place into effect under state law a $17.7 million rate increase to retail electric customers in North Carolina.

In addition, Mr. Moore said the company began collecting an 8.5 per cent surcharge from its natural gas customers in eastern Virginia, effective December 1, 1974. He said this surcharge is expected to produce annual revenue of about $2.2 million. He pointed out that both of these increases are subject to refund and ultimate approval from regulatory commissions following scheduled public hearings.

Rubber Mountain

Discarded tires are growing into a rubber mountain at the Appomattox County Sanitary Land Fill. Tires can not be buried with other refuse as they compress and later expand, unearthing themselves.

Receives Permit

Virginia Electric and Power Company has received a construction permit from the Atomic Energy Commission to begin construction of Surry Units 3 and 4. The additional units will raise the generating capacity of the Surry facility to about 3,400,000 kilowatts.

The AEC earlier issued a limited work authorization. Tree clearing is currently underway at the site of the two new units. Stanley Ragone, Vepco senior vice president, said, "Construction efforts during the first half of 1975 will be limited to preliminary site activities in preparation for major excavation and construction which will follow in the latter part of the year."

Mr. Ragone said, "The issuance of the construction permit will provide an orderly and timely construction period so that Surry 3 and 4 can go in service by 1983 and 1984 respectively."

The addition of the two Surry Units, together with four nuclear units under construction at North Anna, will provide Vepco with more than 7,000,000 kilowatts of generating capacity by the mid-1980's.

Mr. Ragone said, "The eight nuclear units will provide Vepco customers with a significant quantity of electric energy that is not dependent on either oil or coal and which will contribute greatly to this nation's goal of Project Independence."

In addition to contributing to the country's independence of foreign oil producers, the savings in dollars to consumers of nuclear power over fossil are substantial. Surry Units 1 and 2, together with North Anna Units 1 and 2 in 1977, will save Vepco customers about $200 million a year in follil fuel costs.

ABC Board Names Vassar

Richmond, Va. - Raymond A. Vassar has been promoted to the position of Director of the Division of Merchandising of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the ABC Board announced today.

Vassar, a Charlotte County native, has been with the Department since 1958 and has served as a store clerk, accounting supervisor and, for the past ten years, assistant director of the Merchandising Division.

The Division of Merchandising is responsible for the purchasing, warehousing and distribution to state ABC stores of some 3½ million cases of distilled spirits annually.

He graduated from Randolph Henry High School and attended Virginia Polytechnical Institute and State University.

Vassar and his wife, Jane, have three children, Janet, Raymond and Joseph.

Vassar replaces Shirley B. Lickey who was promoted to Deputy for Distribution.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Fidelity National Bank Announces Reorganization

LYNCHBURG - Lewis B. Goode, Jr., President of Fidelity National Bank, has announced the reorganization of several divisions and departments within the bank, effective January 1.

Rodger W. Fauber has been named Executive Vice President in charge of all divisions, with direct responsibilities for the Trust Department, the Personnel Department and Community Relations.

William O. Tucker, Jr., Senior Vice President, will head up the Bank Services Division in charge of Lynchburg and Regional Bank Administration, Marketing, Real Estate Lending and the International Department. Mr. Tucker will continue to direct the bank's overall lending policy.

James R. Hughes, Jr., Senior Vice President, will continue to be in charge of the Operations Division, with responsibilities for Customer Services, General Services and Proof and Transit.

Four new divisions have been created from former departments. They are: Commercial Lending, headed by S. Cabell Dudley, Jr., Vice President; Consumer Lending, headed by Kenneth L. Crank, Vice President; Control, headed by Robert D. Davis, Controler, and Funds Management, headed by Sanford B. Teu, III, Vice President. Falling under the Funds Management Division will be Portfolio, Correspondent Banking, the Bond Department and the Money Market.

The bank's Executive Committee will be composed of Mr. Goode, Mr. Fauber and these seven division chiefs.

Mr. Goode also announced that Robert E. Derring, Jr., Vice President, has been named manager of Fidelity's Bond Department, effective Feb. 1.

Affiliation Decision Terminated

LYNCHBURG, Dec. 27 - A. R. Clements, President and Chief Executive Officer of Fidelity American Bankshares, Inc., and Jesse L. Bridges, President of Security Finance Corporation of Spartanburg, S.C., jointly announced today that their respective companies have terminated their plans to affiliate the two companies.

Both Mr. Bridges and Mr. Clements cited as reasons for the decision delays in obtaining final regulatory approval for the affiliation, recent policy restraints upon the bank holding company industry by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to restrict expansion of non-bank activities, the uncertain economic climate and lowered stock prices.

It had earlier been announced, on Dec. 3, 1974, that the Board of Directors of the two companies had agreed to re-examine their April, 1973 decision to affiliate.

Fidelity American Bankshares, Inc. is a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Lynchburg, Va. As of Sept. 30, 1974, it owned and operated 16 banks, and held total assets of $801.4 million. Security Finance Corporation of Spartanburg is a multi-state consumer finance chain operating 130 offices, with some $15.6 million in total assets as of Sept. 30, 1974.

Dividend Declared

The Virginia Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company has declared a special 10 per cent annual dividend on its Farm-owners policies.

The dividend was announced by Otis W. Nuckols, executive vice president, at the company's annual meeting.

A total of $135.000 was paid to 5,600 farmers throughout Virginia. The largest dividend check was for $588.00.

A farmowners policy covers property damage caused by fire, lightening, windstorm and other causes. It also protects the farmer from liability claims arising from his farming operations and personal activities.

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